

I am an XM Radio subscriber and feel very strongly that they should be allowed to carry Instant Traffic and Weather. I commute just under 100 miles (round trip) each day to work in support of the U.S. Government. My trip involves using very curvy, steeply inclined roads and knowing the weather conditions is very important to my ability to safely commute and plan an alternate route if necessary.

Furthermore, due to the rural area through which I commute my car does not receive any of the local Washington D.C. stations from which I could receive reports of severe weather conditions; this is the whole reason I purchased XM radio. Also, when I travel for work I don't have to waste time searching the AM/FM dial for traffic/weather for the city I am driving through; it's right at my fingertips with XM Radio thus providing a safer driving environment.

XM Radio, which is a fee-based medium, should remain largely unregulated (such as cable television) as to its content. I pay the bill, I control the knobs in my car, and I should be able to listen to whatever I want and can also switch to a different channel if I don't like what is playing.